



# NEWS RELEASE

## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **MOTORCYCLE OPERATOR DIES IN COLLISION**

The Traffic Enforcement Section is investigating a Fatal Motor Vehicle Collision involving a motorcycle and a sport utility vehicle. The collision occurred on southbound US Route 29 at the ramp to westbound Interstate 70 at approximately 1504 hours on Saturday, July 19, 2008. The operator of a 2007 Yamaha R6 was traveling southbound on US Route 29, when a northbound 1998 Dodge Durango made a left turn in front of the motorcycle. The Dodge was attempting to enter the ramp to westbound Interstate 70.

The motorcycle struck the Dodge and the motorcycle operator was ejected. The motorcycle operator was pronounced dead on scene and has been identified as Andrew Perry Noel, 19 years of age, of Stonehouse Drive in Ellicott City, Maryland.

The driver of the Dodge was identified as Robert Neil Mecklenburg, 79 years of age, of Upwoods Lane in Columbia, Maryland. Mr. Mecklenburg was transported to Howard County General Hospital with minor injuries.

Charges are pending further investigation by Pfc. Mabe.

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Note: Any additional information will be available through the Office of Public Affairs when the office reopens at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup>.